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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 23, 1997 (herein "Office Action"), the Applicants respectfully request entry into the record of and reconsideration in view of this amendment and response. The period for response to the Office Action has been extended by three months by the filing of a Petition for Extension of Time and the payment of the appropriate fee.

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, between lines 7 and 8 please insert --RELATED APPLICATION This application claims benefit of priority to U.S. patent application Serial Number 60/024,845 filed August 28, 1996.--

In the Abstract, please delete "infections" and insert --infections-- in place thereof.

At page 3, line 27, please delete "afforementioned" and insert --aforementioned-- in place thereof.

At page 4, line 20, please delete "staphilococcal" and insert --staphylococcal-- in place thereof.

At page 6, line 26, please insert --and 1A-- after "Figure 1 but before "[SEQID NO:2]."